GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - M.A.&U.D. Department – ACB Surprise Check - Puttaparthi Nagar Panchayat - Allegations of failed to issue show cause notices for unauthorized constructions and supervise & monitor the duties of lower staff against Smt. Devi Kumari, the then Vice Chairman (FAC), Puttaparthi Urban Development Authority (PUDA) - Initiation of disciplinary proceedings under Rule-20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 - Articles of charges – Issued

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MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 957 **Dated: 16-09-2025**

Read the following:-

1. From the Director General, A.C.B., Vijayawada, Lr.Rc.No.34/DES-ATP/2022, dated 28.10.2024.
2. Govt.Memo.No.2605310/VIG.III/2025, MA&UD Dept, Dt.20.01.2025.
3. From the Director General, A.C.B., Vijayawada, Lr.Rc.No.34/DES-ATP/2022, dated 18.08.2025.
4. G.O.Rt.No.956, MA&UD(Vig.III)Dept., Dated.16.09.2025.

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ORDER:

It is proposed to hold an inquiry against Smt. Devi Kumari, the then Vice Chairman (FAC), Puttaparthi Urban Development Authority (PUDA) in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The statement of articles of charges and statement of imputations of misconduct and misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed Annexures I & II. A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charges proposed to be sustained are also enclosed in Annexures - III & IV.

3. Smt Devi Kumari, the then Vice Chairman (FAC), Puttaparthi Urban Development Authority (PUDA) is directed to submit her written statement of defense within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

4. Smt Devi Kumari, the then Vice Chairman (FAC), Puttaparthi Urban Development Authority (PUDA) is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges as are not admitted. She should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each Article of charge.

5. Smt Devi Kumari, the then Vice Chairman (FAC), Puttaparthi Urban Development Authority (PUDA) is further informed that if she does not submit her written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para (3) above, further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Attention of Smt Devi Kumari, the then Vice Chairman (FAC), Puttaparthi Urban Development Authority (PUDA) is invited to Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further her interest in respect of matters pertaining to her

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service under the Government. If any representation is received on her behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that above said Smt Devi Kumari, the then Vice Chairman (FAC), Puttaparthi Urban Development Authority (PUDA) is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at her instance and action will be taken against her for violation of Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The Director of Town and Country Planning, AP, Mangalagiri is requested to serve the charge Memo to the charged officer along with copies of documents as per Annexures and furnish the dated acknowledgement. If dated acknowledgement is not received in the stipulated time, they are requested to propose for initiation of disciplinary action against the responsible official and furnish the draft article of charges against them without any delay.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S. SURESH KUMAR, I.A.S
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Smt. Devi Kumari, the then Vice Chairman (FAC), Puttaparthi Urban Development Authority (PUDA) **through** the DTCP, AP, Mangalagiri.
The Director of Town and Country Planning, AP, Mangalagiri

Copy to:

The Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, A.P, Vaddeswaram
The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, Vijayawada
The RDMA, Ananthapuram
The Commissioner, Puttparthi Nagarpanchayat
Sf/Sc (2605310)

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER